## SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



DuWayne Gregory, Presiding Officer

## **Press Release**

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## PRESIDING OFFICER GREGORY KICKS OFF HIS 2016 YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAUCUS



Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory with members of his 2016-2017 Youth Leadership Caucus.

Amityville, NY – Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory recently welcomed new and returning students to his 2016-2017 Youth Leadership Caucus.

The Youth Leadership Caucus, formed by Presiding Officer Gregory in 2010, is made up of young people from grades 8-12 throughout the 15<sup>th</sup> legislative district who meet monthly and participate in local community service projects.

"I am pleased to have such a bright group of young people participating in the program this year," said Presiding Officer Gregory. "The Youth Leadership Caucus is intended to encourage our students to get civically engaged in the community. I am hopeful that they will have a positive, life-altering experience during their time in our Youth Caucus."

With a rolling membership of approximately 20 students, the goal of the Youth Caucus is to offer students in grades 8-12 a platform to be heard on issues that affect them and to meet and interact with community leaders. Among this year's speakers are New York State Assemblywoman Kimberly Jean-Pierre and Officer Barney of the Suffolk County Police Department's Second Precinct.

Presiding Officer Gregory will be accepting applications for the 2017-2018 Youth Leadership Caucus starting in January. Registration is open to all students, grades 8-12, who reside in the 15th Legislative District. For more information, please call (631) 854-1111.

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